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### TOPEKA, KANSAS MAN PLEADS GUILTY TO GUN CHARGE

TOPEKA, Kan. – United States Attorney Eric Melgren announced that **Glennard L. Hayes**, 29, Topeka, Kansas, entered a guilty plea on September 3, 2004, before U.S. District Judge Richard D. Rogers to one count of **possessing a firearm during a drug trafficking crime**.

Melgren said that Hayes admitted at his plea that on March 8, 2004, officers from the Topeka, Kansas, police department conducted a search of the residence in which he was staying in Topeka where they found Hayes and numerous indications of drug sales, including a set of digital scales, razor blades, a box of sandwich bags, individually packaged pieces of cocaine, and a measuring dish containing unpackaged cocaine. The officers found a loaded handgun in the living room which Hayes acknowledged he controlled. During the three weeks prior to this search, law enforcement officers made controlled purchases of cocaine from Hayes.

Hayes faces a mandatory minimum of five years in federal prison without parole. Sentencing is set for December 10, 2004, at 10:30 a.m.

Melgren commended the excellent work of the Topeka Police Department and the Kansas Bureau of Investigation in this investigation and Assistant U.S. Attorney James Brown in this prosecution.